

HB 1177 - DIGEST

Declares that citizens of the state of Washington have the right to know the following information when applying for a permit, license, or authorization to engage in a lawful activity: (1) Right to know the minimum and maximum time required by an agency for a decision on a permit or license, including public comment requirements;

(2) Right to know the minimum and maximum amount of information required for an agency to make a decision on a permit or license;

(3) Right to know when an agency considers an application complete for processing;

(4) Right to know the minimum and maximum costs in agency fees that will be incurred by the permit or license applicant; and

(5) Right to know the reasons for a denial of a permit or license in writing.

Requires state permitting and licensing agencies to track the progress in meeting the information requirements established under this act. Beginning on or before December 31, 2006, each state permitting and licensing agency shall prepare an annual report of its performance for the preceding fiscal year.